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EPA Seeks Comments on Proposed PM_{2.5} Designations

The [Environmental Protection Agency](#) (EPA) has announced it will accept [public comment](#) on the agency's responses to the state and tribal recommendations regarding designations for the 24-hour fine particle (PM_{2.5}) standards. In addition to comments, the EPA seeks supplemental information that may help establish the final nonattainment area boundaries. The agency will accept comments for 30 days after the notice of availability is published in Federal Register.

U.S. Court of Appeals Rejects Kentucky Water Pollution Regulations

The [U.S. Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit](#) yesterday rejected a [Kentucky regulation](#) for coal-mining discharges into the waterways in addition to five other water pollution regulations, including confined animal feeding operations. The [decision](#) sends the regulations back to the EPA for reconsideration.

2008 Environmental Update

[Wyatt, Tarrant & Combs, LLP](#) will be hosting the 2008 Environmental Update Seminar on Sept. 18, at the Capital Plaza Hotel in Frankfort, Ky. This program is designed to update participants with recent developments and compliance issues regarding environmental law. Please e-mail [Eve Chorzelewski](#) to register. Registration is free to participants.

U.S. Court of Appeals Strikes Down Air Monitoring Loophole

The U.S. Federal Appeals Court [struck down](#) an EPA

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The [Brownfields Program](#) helps communities and property owners identify meaningful solutions that encourage the cleanup and redevelopment of underused, contaminated properties.

rule that exempted major industrial polluters from air monitoring provisions. The court held that the EPA violated the Clean Air Act in allowing the largest air pollution sources to avoid monitoring, recording and recordkeeping of air pollution emissions needed to assure compliance with clean air laws.

Are You An Active Participant in the Permitting Process?

If not, one easy way to stay connected to the permitting process is by keeping up with public notices. The Kentucky Division of Water [lists all of the public notices](#) by month. For September, you will find public notices on a [Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System](#) (MS4) permit and the [Kentucky Pollutant Discharge Elimination System](#) (KPDES) Coal General Permit.



Environmental laws can often be confusing and challenging. The [Environmental Compliance Assistance Program](#) helps regulated entities understand and comply with environmental obligations, advocates for entities underrepresented in the regulatory process and facilitates moving "beyond" compliance to environmental leadership.

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Compiled by Kenya Stump. For submittals, please send information to envhelp@ky.gov with the subject line of "SNIPS Submittal Information".